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23 February 1950

MEMORANDUM FOR: RI/FI

SUBJECT : Subject of DRP-430

1. According to a usually reliable covert source of this Branch, subject is described as follows:

Born April 19, 1905 in Latvia. Present residence is: 56, rue Marechal Foch, Lorient, France. Is a well-known Latvian sportsman and basketball coach. Was a former officer of the Latvian Army. During World War II was a commander of a supply unit in the 15th Division of the Latvian Legion and held the rank of Major. Subsequent to the war he was a refugee in Germany from where he emigrated to France. He was employed as a basketball trainer with the Basketball Club of Lorient. During the mid-30's, among athletic circles in Latvia, subject had the reputation of, and was commonly believed to be, a homosexual.

2. In order not to do subject an injustice, it should be noted that our source does not have knowledge of the commission of any specific homosexual act by subject but merely reports the existing belief regarding subject current at that time. On the basis of his observations of subject's appearance and actions, source is also of the personal opinion that subject is a homosexual.

3. A possible source of information regarding subject's character is Aleksandrs Vanags, presently employed as a soccer coach for the Strassbourg Racing Club, Strassbourg, France. Vanags is known to be a long-time acquaintance of subject both in Latvia and France.

4. For any further information regarding this memorandum, please contact [ ] or [ ], Room 2607 "J" Building, extension 8545.

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